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James Horan, Director FOIA Service  
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Dear Mr. Horan,

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. §552, as amended). We are informed that most of the information requested can be retrieved electronically on VetBiz Vendor Information Pages (VIP) online database. Consequently, I am requesting that a copy of the requested documents or documents containing information on the requested matter be provided to me in electronic format, and I would like to receive it on a CD or via email. (Email is preferable).

The purpose of this FOIA Request is to obtain information that will illuminate in a clear and direct way, CVE's activities and operations. We are seeking to determine the level of efficiency CVE is acting in order to meet its Congressional and Presidential mandates. As such, the release of the requested information will significantly contribute to the public's understanding and oversight of CVE's operations, particularly regarding the quality and impartiality of services the agency provides.

My company, VetGCC, will analyze the data presented in the released documents or information and our staff of experts will produce a report as part of our ongoing review of CVE. The report will be released on our website as well as disseminated to the media and Congress, if requested, as a component of our active involvement in legislation addressing support for veterans. Additionally, the information will be featured as part of a continuing series of articles pertaining to veteran assistance, which will run in our monthly newsletter. This request is not meant to be exclusive of any other records which, though not specifically requested, would have a reasonable relationship to the subject matter of this request.

The requested information is as follows:

- i. For each Veteran Owned Small Business, Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business, or Joint Venture that CVE approved for inclusion in the VetBiz Vendor Information Pages (VIP) Verification Program and is therefore visible to the public in VIP, **as of the date your agency responds to this FOIA Request**, please provide the following information for each company or legal entity:

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1. First Name of Veteran
  2. Last Name of Veteran
  3. Name of Company
  4. DUNS Number
  5. Email Address
  6. Telephone Number
  7. Address
  8. City
  9. State
  10. Zip Code
  11. VOSB
  12. SDVOSB
  13. Annual Revenues
  14. Largest Contract Completed
  15. Bonding Level
  16. Number of Employees
  17. Number of Locations
  18. Year Established
- ii. For each Veteran Owned Small Business, Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business, or Joint Venture that CVE has not been approved for inclusion in the VetBiz Vendor Information Pages (VIP) Verification Program and is therefore not visible to the public in VIP, **as of the date your agency responds to this FOIA Request**, please provide the following information for each company or legal entity:
1. First Name of Veteran
  2. Last Name of Veteran
  3. Name of Company
  4. DUNS Number
  5. Email Address
  6. Telephone Number
  7. Address
  8. City
  9. State
  10. Zip Code

11. VOSB
12. SDVOSB
13. Annual Revenues
14. Largest Contract Completed
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16. Number of Employees
17. Number of Locations
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In an attempt to avoid any confusion, per this FOIA Request, if for example your agency responds on December 25, 2011, we are requesting two lists, in electronic format, for (a) all companies that are visible to the public; and (b) all companies not are not visible to the public in VIP, as of December 25, 2011.

In the event that access to any of the requested records and or information is denied, please note that the FOIA provides that if only portions of a requested file are exempt from release, the remainder must still be released. I therefore request that I be provided with all non-exempt portions that are reasonably divisible. I further request that you describe the deleted material in detail and specify the statutory basis for the denial as well as your reasons for believing that the alleged statutory justification applies in this instance. Please separately state your reasons for not invoking your discretionary powers to release the requested documents in the public interest. Such statements will be helpful in deciding whether to appeal an adverse determination, and in formulating arguments in case an appeal is taken.

CVE's written justification might also help to avoid unnecessary litigation. I of course reserve my right to appeal the withholding or deletion of any information and expect that you will list the office and address were such an appeal can be sent. I anticipate, however, that you will make the requested materials available within the statutorily prescribed period.

Thank you for your professional attention to this matter. Please contact me via telephone at (301)222-7743 or send me an email at [leonamaryland@vetgcc.com](mailto:leonamaryland@vetgcc.com) if you need any further information.

I Forever Remain,

*Leon A. Maryland*

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